

## White Pine Blister Rust Resistant Currant and Gooseberry Varieties

A permit is required for planting black currants anywhere in the state of Michigan. Red currants, white currants and gooseberries require a permit only if the planting site is located in the white pine blister rust control zone.

To obtain a permit to grow rust-resistant currants and gooseberries, send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:bryanm@michigan.gov">bryanm@michigan.gov</a> or fax to (517) 335-4540. Please indicate the varieties you intend to plant, the quantity, and address where they will be planted. Permission will be granted only for those varieties that have been shown to be highly resistant to white pine blister rust through scientific research, as listed below.

The following varieties would be considered acceptable at this time based on their white pine blister rust resistance rating:

**Gooseberries**: Achilles, Canada O-273, Captivator, Columbus, Downing, Glenton Green, Golda, Hinnomaen kiltaenen green (Hinnomaki yellow), Howards Lancer, InvictaJahns Prairie, Jeanne, Josselyn, Oregon, Pixwell, Poorman, Sabine, Whitesmith

Black currant-Gooseberry hybrids: Josta (a.k.a. Jostaberry); Orus 8

**Black currant**: Blackcomb, Canada RIB0112, Consort (Prince Consort), Crusader, Coronet, Crandall, 'Doch Siberyachki (Daughter of Siberia), Kosmioleskaja, Lowes Auslese, Minaj smyriou, Pilot Alexander Mamkin, Polar, Risager, Tahsis, Titania, Willoughby

Red currant: Rondom

White currant: White Imperial, White Currant 1301

These varieties were identified as white pine blister rust resistant in consultation with USDA researchers in Corvallis, Oregon, as listed on their web sites at: <a href="http://www.ars.usda.gov/SP2UserFiles/Place/53581500/catalogs/ribrustimmune.html">http://www.ars.usda.gov/SP2UserFiles/Place/53581500/catalogs/ribrustresist.html</a>

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